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Appl. No. : 10/034,769
Applicant(s) : Ryan J. Welch et al.
Filed : January 3, 2002
Title : Hybrid Electrical Circuit Device With Mated Substrate Carrier

TC/A.U. : 2827
Examiner : John B. Vigushin

Docket No. : AFD 460

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(b)

Sir:

In response to a 21 June 2004 telephone call from Examiner John B. Vigushin indicating applicants' response to the 20 October 2003 Office action of restriction has not been received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and raising the question of possible application abandonment, applicants submit by telephone facsimile the 37 C.F.R. 1.8(b) material as listed in the following paragraphs. This material is in supplement to a copy of the missing response sent to Examiner Vigushin on 20 June 2004 by telephone facsimile at (571) 273-1936.

I. A machine copy of the missing response including reproduction of the certificate of mailing executed by the undersigned of applicants' attorneys on 17 November of 2003.

II. A machine copy of the front page of applicants' attorneys' file wrapper for the captioned application showing the made in due course entries for receipt of the restriction requirement and mailing of the 17 November response.

III. A copy of the Daily Correspondence Log maintained by staff personnel in applicants' attorneys' office for the month of November 2003. This Log page corroborates the asserted 17 November 2003 mailing of the missing response.

IV. The following is a statement by applicants' undersigned attorney.

I, Gerald B. Hollins, state as follows:

1. That I am employed by the United States Air Force in the U.S. Air Force Materiel Command Law Office, Intellectual Property Directorate located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Ohio 45433-7109. This employment is in the capacity of a Patent Attorney and has extended over a period exceeding twenty years.

2. That I believe I signed the certificate of mailing and other signature locations of the above-described missing response on 17 November 2003 and delivered the response to the person in our office who performs mail preparation.

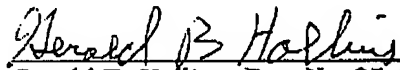
3. That I believe this person placed the response in a properly addressed envelope and placed this envelope in the container where it was routinely collected by Air Force Mail handling personnel and delivered to a central Wright-Patterson location for first class mail postage meter stamping and conveyance to the U.S. Post Office, all on 17 November 2003.

4. That this processing was in accordance with the normal and routinely successful practice in our office.

V. As shown by the attached copy of the 17 November 2003 documents, a new replacement sheet of formal drawings was included in the missing response, along with related remarks.

In view of the document copies supplied and the statements of explanation included herein, the application is believed to be in condition for examination and allowance. Such examination and allowance at the earliest possible time are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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